

Congressman Pence has called on President Obama to speak out on the situation on Iran, CBS News' Political Hotsheet reports:

Indiana Representative Mike Pence [told Reuters](#) that it is Mr. Obama's duty to make a statement regarding Iran.

"It is appropriate for the leader of the free world at this time to speak a word of encouragement to those dissidents in the street," Pence said.

Pence [also told CNN](#) that he believes the president's foreign policy is not working.

"First and foremost, we need to take a half step back from this administration's olive branch-and-apology approach to enemies and countries that have been hostile to the United States of America and our allies," Pence said Sunday. "I'm hoping, before the end of the day today, the President of the United States will speak a word of support for Mr. Moussavi and for the dissidents and the reformers within Iran."

The elections drew a record turnout amid speculation over a possible defeat of incumbent Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. The Iranian government claims that Ahmedinejad easily defeated Moussavi but others say Moussavi rightfully won.